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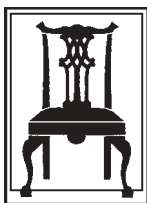
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"Home Run"

ORR High School To Present *Damn Yankees!*

Get in the spirit of baseball spring training season by joining the Old Rochester Regional High School Drama Club for their production of the Broadway musical, *Damn Yankees*. The show opens Thursday, March 21 at 8:00 pm and continues on March 22 and 23 at 8:00 pm. On Sunday, March 24, there will be a matinee performance at 2:00 pm.

Sports fans will delight in the story of Joe Boyd, who would sell his soul for his team, the Washington Senators, to beat the Yankees and play in the World Series. Boyd's plea is answered by the devilish Mr. Applegate, who turns Boyd into the unknown all-star, Joe Hardy. But

when Hardy wants to see his wife, Applegate is forced to resort to his number-one temptress, Lola, to keep Joe in line.

Ben Couto of ORR makes his drama debut as Hardy. Look for Randy Allain as Boyd; Kevin Hart as Applegate; and Jordan Butterfield as Lola. Many other ORR students in the cast and crew contribute to the catchy songs and lively action on stage. The show is directed by Paul Sardinha, and will be presented at the Gilbert D. Bristol Auditorium, ORR High School, Route 6, Mattapoisett. Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$7 for students and senior citizens. Tickets are available in advance at Plumb Corner Market, Rochester; the Marion General



Above: The Old Rochester Regional High School Jazz Band, under the direction of Stan Ellis, recently took home two gold medals in the International Association of Jazz Educators (IAJE) competition. The award-winning band will next compete on March 23 at the University of New Hampshire. (Photo courtesy of Stan Ellis).



Above: New Bedford's renowned Harpoon Harmonizers will join Mattapoisett's Center School Third Grade Intergenerational Chorus for a performance on Wednesday, March 27 at 6:30 pm at ORR High School.

On the cover: The Old Rochester Regional High School Drama Club will stage *Damn Yankees!* next weekend, March 21-24, at the high school. Cast members pictured here are (l. to r.) Jordan Butterfield as "Lola," Ben Couto as "Joe Hardy," and Kevin Hart as "Mr. Applegate." (Photo by and courtesy of Joe Butterfield).

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"Grabbing the Gold"

ORR Jazz Band Wins Two Medals

The Old Rochester Regional High School Jazz Band, under the direction of Stan Ellis, received two gold medals last week at the International Association of Jazz Educators (IAJE) competitions.

On March 5, the IAJE's SouthCoast division held their annual competition for high school jazz bands in Falmouth. Old Rochester dusted off the three songs that earned them a second-place finish at the Berklee College of Music's high school jazz band competition earlier this year, and walked away with a gold medal in Division B. Outstanding musician awards went to Nick Gordon on trumpet, Greg Ross on tenor sax, and Trevor Kellum on alto sax. The outstanding soloist's award went to Trevor. This gold medal win assured them a place at the Jazz Educator's Massachusetts State Finals competition.

The state finals were held on March 9 at the University of Massachusetts Lowell campus. This competition brought together all the high school jazz bands in Massachusetts that had received gold medals in their divisions. Even though the competition was stiff, ORR again received a gold medal for their performance and

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Old Rochester has one more competition to play on March 23 at the University of New Hampshire. They will also be performing at the "Night of Jazz" on April 4 at Old Rochester Regional High School along with the ORR Junior and Senior High School Jazz Chorus and some special guests. On May 29, the band will be performing on Cape Cod Musicales, a local award-winning music program on Cape Cod. And don't forget to write down that Hatch Shell performance on May 25 ... the

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Music Melodies in Mattapoisett

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Recently, on March 12, the Third Grade Intergenerational Chorus participated in the FORM (Friends of Old Rochester Music) Concert at ORR High School. Now, on Wednesday, March 27 at 6:30 pm, the Third Grade Intergenerational Chorus will be presenting a concert titled "Teach the Children to Sing" as part of Center School's sixteenth annual Art and Music Night. The guest performers for this concert will be the well-known barbershop chorus, "The Harpoon Harmonizers." They will be joining the Third Grade Chorus in song, and together they will share the joy of singing. Also featured at this concert will be students in the new string program. The violins and cellos will join together in several songs.

At Center School, they celebrate music for all ages throughout the year. They are joined weekly by members of the community — senior citizens, friends, parents, and grandparents — to raise voices in song. Together, they will put a song in every heart and a smile on every face.

Music month will certainly be a busy time at Center School. Fortunately for us, music is an important part of the curriculum throughout the school year due to the encouragement and support of the teachers, principal, and arts and humanities programs sponsored by the Mattapoisett PTA.

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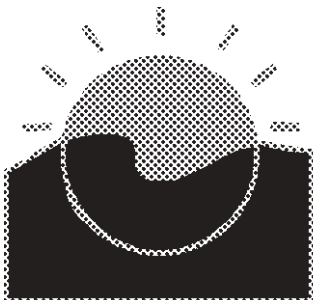
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Ballot Finalized

Marion To Decide Five Contested Races

Now that the Friday, March 8 deadline to return nomination papers for the Annual Town Election has passed, Marion voters now know they will have no less than five contested races to decide on the April 26 ballot, including two separate races for seats on the Board of Selectmen.

Topping the list of candidates will be four individuals running for two **Selectmen** seats: School Committee member **Andrew N. Jeffrey** (Front Street) will be running against newcomer **Stephen M. Cushing** (Rocky Knook Lane) for the three-year seat left vacated with **Albert Winters'** decision not to seek re-election this year;



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and Planning Board member **David K. Pierce** (Converse Road) will face-off against **Joseph P. Zora** (Gifford's Corner Road) to fill the remaining one-year term of **Jonathan "Jody" Dickerson**, who resigned earlier this year.

Incumbent Assessor **George T.J. Walker** (Point Road) will also face challenger **Catherine A. Gibbs** (Mill Street) for his three-year seat; and there are seven people running for four available seats on the town's **Planning Board**: **John Rockwell** (Point Road), **Julia D. Crowley** (Point Road), **Thomas R. Magauran** (Main Street), **William David Roth Jr.** (Joanne Drive), and **Sherman E. Briggs** (Point Road) are all vying for three three-year Planning Board seats; and there's also a two-way race for a single one-year seat on the Planning Board between **Carolyn C. Rubenstein** (Allen's Point Road) and **Peter F. Winters** (Point Road).

Other races include: **Debra M. Blanchette** of Front Street running unopposed for **Town Clerk/Treasurer/Tax Collector** (three years each); **David B. Titus** of South Street, incumbent for one-year **Town Moderator's** seat; **Elizabeth S. Dunn** of Main Street is seeking re-election to her three-year seat on the **Board of Health**; **Susan S. Grosart** (Indian Cove Road) and **Karen C. Kevelson** (Bullivant Farm Road) are running for two three-year seats on the **Marion School Committee**; **Sheri L. Gay** (River View Lane) is running for a single three-year seat on the **ORR School Committee**; **James R. Gurney** (Hartley Lane) and **Priscilla D. Bradley** (Front

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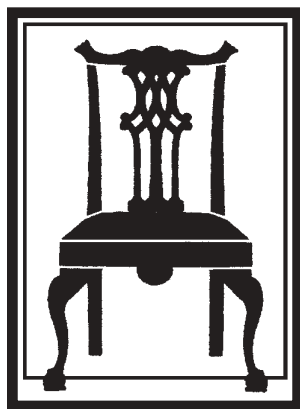


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Street) are seeking to fill two three-year seats on the **Open Space Acquisition Committee**; and **G. Ronald Winters** (Converse Road) is seeking re-election for a three-year term as **Tree Warden**.

Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

March 11, 2002

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order by on Monday, March 11 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Paul Lambalot. Also present were Selectman Barry Denham, Selectman Raymond Andrews, and Executive Secretary Carol Adams.

The board first unanimously approved the minutes of the February 25, 2002 meeting, with Selectman Denham abstaining, and then unanimously voted to sign and approve the following:

- Warrant and Ballot for the April 2 Annual Town Election;
 - Square Dancing Permits for the summer season to run from June 29 through August 31, 2002 (excluding July 20) for Saturday evening dances to be held at the Town Wharf from 7:00 to 10:00 pm; and
 - Appointment of Mary Anne Brogan as an Alternate Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), upon a recommendation from ZBA Chairman Jeff Chase.
- At 7:10 pm the board met with Fire Chief Ronald Scott and Firefighter Jim Helfinger regarding an In-Building Radio Installation regulation proposal and the SAFE Decal Program.

"It's kind of ironic on the six-month anniversary of 9-11 to be talking about this," Chief Scott said. "What this basically came from was 9-11. They found they had a lot of radio communication problems in the buildings. What this would do is ensure ... that radios work in all

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Selectman Denham wanted clarification as to how this would apply to "new" and "future" construction projects in Mattapoisett and, specifically, wanted to know what costs were involved to upgrade any town-owned properties.

"Do we have this problem in a number of buildings, or is it one building?" he asked. "We just spent \$50,000 a couple of years ago to solve all the problems with the radios ... (but) what's this going to cost the Town of Mattapoisett (and) what's this going to cost a business in Mattapoisett?"

Chief Scott said that costs would depend on the structure and what needed to be done. "I can't answer that," he said. "I brought the draft to the Board of Selectmen, I need direction to say whether we should follow-up on this. At this time, I believe we have not had a problem

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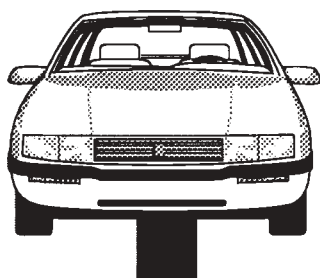
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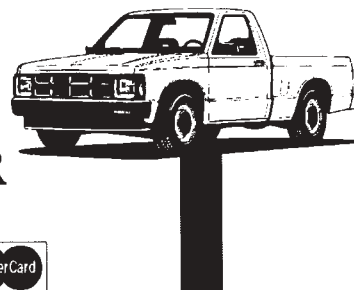


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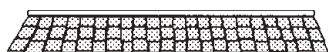
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"We have to balance the cost with life safety," Selectman Denham said. "I'm just a little bit leery of a blanket regulation which seems to be open-ended."

"This is just a draft regulation, it's not cast in stone," Chief Scott said. "We can go back and refine it."

Firefighter Jim Helfinger, of the Mattapoisett Fire Department's SAFE Program, then discussed a new, four-quadrant decal system which has been put into effect in town to identify areas of a home where children or elderly people are located.

"Should a child or person need assistance in one quadrant of the house, that (sticker) is removed and placed on or near the front door," Mr. Helfinger said. "This allows us to establish our primary search area. We go into the house and search in that area. It just (tells us) whether it's right, left, up or down. We presently have 30 (decals) in place and we have 43 more to do."

Residents interested in registering for the SAFE Decal Program should call the Mattapoisett Fire Department at 508-758-4150.

At 7:30 pm the board opened a Liquor License Hearing upon the application of Daphne Vrakas of Dartmouth, d/b/a Nick's Homemade Pizza, 27 County Road in Mattapoisett, for a wine and malt liquor license.

Ms. Adams explained this was a Liquor Hearing originally scheduled for March 4, and Ms. Vrakas had intended to sell the establishment and transfer the liquor license to a new owner.

"(Ms. Vrakas) originally was going to sell the business and transfer the license, but they decided to stay in Mattapoisett," Chairman Lambalot explained.

With no objectors present, the board unanimously voted to grant the Liquor License to Ms. Vrakas as re-



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At 7:35 pm, the board met briefly with Temporary Town Clerk Rebecca McCullough for an update. "We're working on the (town) census," Ms. McCullough said. "I just want to remind people that if they don't return the census, they will eventually be taken off the voting list ... it's a state requirement. I would encourage people to just give us a call, even if they're not sure they sent it back. Dog License renewals are (also) due by March 31."

Ms. McCullough then wanted to remind Mattapoisett voters that the April 2 Town Election will be held at the *Knights of Columbus Hall on Route 6*, not Old Hammondtown School as per usual due to the ongoing construction there. "We've had quite a few people commenting on the Annual Town Election, which is going to be held at the Knights of Columbus on Route 6 in Mattapoisett," she said. "The polls will be open from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm. We'll have people at the front door to direct (voters) to the proper precinct. Absentee ballot voting (will be) accepted until Monday at 12:00 noon on Monday, April 1."

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received:

- Letter from John N. DeCosta, Chairman of the Mattapoisett Memorial Day Committee, inviting the board to participate in the Annual Memorial Day Exercises to be held on Monday, May 27, 2002. In the event of rain, the ceremonies will be held at Center School.

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• Letter from Michael Costello, Chairman of the Marine Advisory Board (MAB), notifying the Selectmen that they need to fill two vacancies on the MAB. Those interested in applying for the MAB should submit a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen, c/o Mattapoisett Town Hall.

• Letters from Jeremy J. Collier and Stephen E. Vaites expressing interest in serving on the Mattapoisett Housing Partnership. With that, the board unanimously voted to appoint both to the Mattapoisett Housing Partnership, bringing the committee's full complement to seven members.

• Invitation from School Superintendent Elizabeth "Betty" Quinn inviting the board to participate in a "walk-through" of the ORR Junior and Senior High School project on Saturday, April 6 at 9:00 am.

The board then discussed the pending retirement of Town Mechanic John Bowman at the end of April. Selectman Denham said they should decide whether they want to hire a replacement for Mr. Bowman or simply find a temporary person to fill the position.

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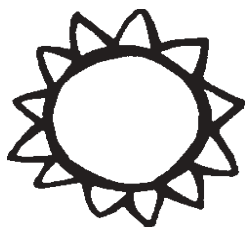
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"We need to discuss what we're going to do ... whether we're going to hire someone to fill the position or just find a replacement," Selectman Denham said. "On a long-term basis, we're really getting to a point where we have to examine the maintenance on (town-owned) vehicles. We're going to have to look at some sort of maintenance system which is centrally-handled for purchasing and tracking. John has managed the most of it for 30 years, (but) we've gone from 20 to 60 vehicles."

Chairman Lambalot asked if they've ever looked into the feasibility of sending vehicles out for repair.

"With a one-man shop like the one we have at the Town Barn, we can't get into changing engines," Selectman Denham said. "But the everyday tracking work — oil changes, the squeaky door, latch repair — we need someone on hand to do ... we have to have a person in place to do the minor repairs."

Selectman Denham suggested they advertise for a mechanic to do basic repair work and serve as a maintenance manager for town-owned vehicles. "We need to get the contract out and explore what the system is going to be to replace (Mr. Bowman) and advertise the position," he said. "The applicants should be able to ... determine what needs to be sent out and what can be done in-house."

At 8:00 pm the board met with School Superintendent Elizabeth "Betty" Quinn, School Committee member Debbie DeWalt, and School Project Manager Paul Murphy regarding the pending Center School project.

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"There's been some talk about the value of going ahead with the Center School project," Chairman Lambalot said.

"Obviously, the decision to move forward with Center School was a political decision — it was the will of the voters — so, my presentation tonight was simply to inform the board and the voters of what the implications would be if Center School did not move forward as planned," Ms. Quinn said. "The timeline for Center School to begin would be January of 2003. What I'm going to talk about tonight is the impact of delaying the project."

Ms. Quinn explained at the current 65 percent state reimbursement rate, the Center School project would cost \$11.766 million if done in 2002-2003. But that cost would escalate as high as \$15.017 million if delayed until 2007, along with added costs such as \$50,000 architect fee to review and update the plans and a \$20,000 project manager fee to review and update the plans with a one-year gap, among others.

Ms. Quinn also stressed that she was assured by an official at SBA that the town would be guaranteed the 65 percent reimbursal rate for 2002-2003 "as long as construction started before the first state reimbursement payment is made," she said.

"I was assured we are still subject to the 65 percent reimbursement," Ms. Quinn said. "People hear (the state is) reneging on the money — they're not, they're just committing to fewer districts per year. It may take up to seven years for the town to see its money ... but there's no question that the money is there."

Center School is also "almost fully out of compliance" with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements, according to Ms. Quinn, and needs to be updated to meet Fire Assembly regulations such as lack of sprinkler coverage, fire separation between attic and floor



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"These are legal issues which could be used as a cause for a lawsuit or the school to be shut down," Ms. Quinn said. She added that the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) has also allowed the school to retain its five-year accreditation with the understanding that they've committed to making the necessary renovations.

"I think it's important for us to see that even though we're under budget constraints, it wouldn't be wise to abandon (the Center School) project," Chairman Lambalot said.

"There are parents in this community who have held off on potential lawsuits against the town because we've made commitments to meet ADA requirements (at Center School)," Selectman Andrews added.

"The right decision was made two years ago, we just wanted to reassure the people," Chairman Lambalot said.

"So, the sky is *not* falling," Selectman Denham said.

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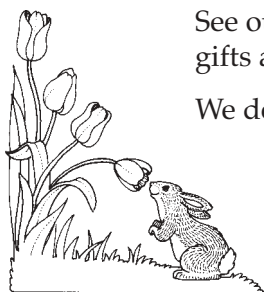
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There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:30 pm.

Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

March 11, 2002

By Mary Redman

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, March 11 at 6:30 pm by Chairman Richard D. Cutler. Also present were Selectman Patricia Ryan, Town Administrator James Huntoon, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere. Selectman Naida Parker was not present for the meeting.

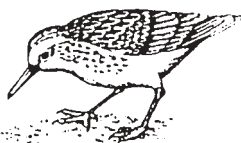
The board first met with William Chamberlain and Robert Small of the Rochester Police Brotherhood to continue a grievance hearing from last week. The board was asked by the Police Brotherhood to reconsider compensating former Officer Bert Gleason for unused sick time and vacation days accrued during the two-year period he was on sick leave. After reviewing their previous decision, the board informed the Police Brotherhood that their grievance was denied.

Next, Chairman Culter and Finance Committee (FinCom) Chairman Michael Costa and members of the FinCom Appointing Authority appointed Jill Bodeau as an Alternate FinCom member until June.

At 7:15 pm the board resumed regular business,

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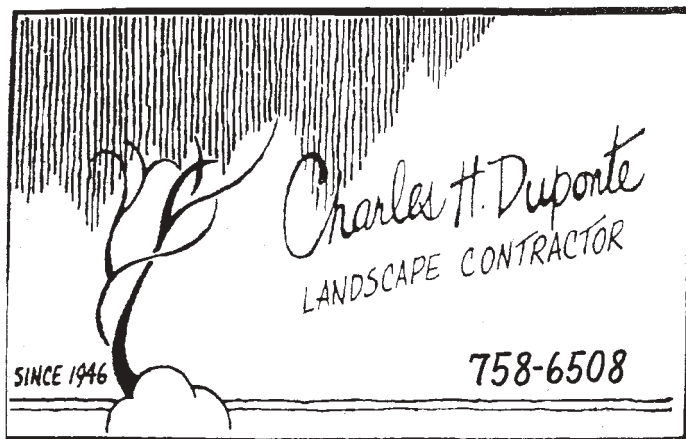


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first by approving and signing the minutes of the March 4 meeting and then the Annual Town Election Warrant for April 10, 2002. Chairman Culter informed the audience that Candidates' Night will be held on Wednesday, April 3.

The board next approved and signed Harris Rebar's TIF Agreement as approved at the recent Special Town Meeting. Selectman Parker will sign the agreement upon her return.

Town Administrator James Huntoon reported to the board that the Police Department will have a formal Open House on May 18, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Mr. Huntoon also suggested the board revisit the issue of fire alarming the Town Hall. The board was also informed that three area people will be submitting bids to paint the Town Hall.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received:

- Letter from Bill and Jean Roseman asking the board to address the issue of speeding on North Avenue. Selectman Ryan suggested that the Police Department notify Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School when one of their students is given a speeding ticket. Old Colony then would suspend the student's parking privileges for a specified time. The board approved this suggestion and the posting of a "Slow, Children" sign near their home. A response letter will also be sent.

- Request from the Rochester Youth Baseball seeking the board's permission to hold their annual Little League Parade on April 13. The board approved the request and a reply letter will be sent informing the league that they need to make arrangements with the Police Department.

- Letter of appreciation from the KMSD Competi-

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- Correspondence from Governor Jane Swift including a list of Chapter 90 local aid monies that have been released. The Town of Rochester will be receiving \$73,060.37.

Under New Business for the week, the board:

- Approved and signed an ambulance waiver request.
- Noted a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held on Saturday, April 27 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Items should be dropped off at the transfer station on Route 28 or in Marion.
- Invitation from School Superintendent Betty



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Quinn to attend a walk-through of the Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior High Schools construction project on Saturday, April 6 at 9:00 am.

• Payment in lieu of taxes from SEMASS totaling \$218,673 for the month of February, 2002. Antonio Sol, a town resident, asked the board whether anyone checked the SEMASS numbers. Chairman Culter replied that SEMASS' auditors check their figures. Mr. Sol repeated the question, asking if anyone from the town checked. Chairman Culter responded that the weights were checked, but no one from the town looks at SEMASS' figures.

"Shouldn't this be the assessors job?" Mr. Sol asked.

Chairman Culter informed Mr. Sol he should take this matter up with the Board of Assessors himself.

• Correspondence from the Office of Environmental Affairs (OEA) informing the board that the town had received a Municipal Recycling Grant. Rochester's grant includes 1,735 consumer education mailers and 50 junk mail kits valued at \$541. The kits include postcards that can be sent to large mail list companies requesting that your name be taken off the mailing lists they sell.

Under notices for the week, the Joint Transportation Planning Group (JTPG) will be meeting on Wednesday, March 13. Town Treasurer John Hall will be attending on the town's behalf.

Next, under Old Business, Tony Sol asked the board about the landscaping costs for the new Police Station. He felt the town has the materials on hand to do the landscaping at a lower cost then he has heard is being spent. Mr. Sol did not want to be quoted regarding what he heard the landscaping is costing. The board stated the bid for the Police Station was a package that included construction and landscaping, and they did not know what the specific landscaping costs were. Mr. Sol re-

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by ERICA PLOUFFE

Standard-Times staff writer
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By Ethan Thomas
Staff writer

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By Paul Gately

Standard-Times correspondent

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construction of the Regatta, or maybe not. That leaves Ray Andrews to comment. We have to have a public statement from our selectmen or not.

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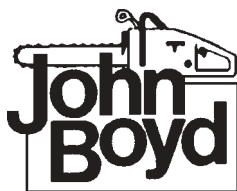
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requested the board look into this further.

At 8:00 pm the board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session to discuss police contract negotiations, and would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

In these days, while parts of the world suffer from a daily struggle to simply survive, holding on to a far-reaching hope that sustenance will come, warmth will come, and their child will live through the night, it seems out-of-place at best to be complaining about dog excrement. It is exactly that kind of "us" vs. "them" mentality that M.L. Towl so bitterly displays that causes turbulence on what is supposed to be a united front. If she (and I can hardly believe that this "problem" keeps her up at night) is so bothered by her neighbor's actions, perhaps she can recognize that a conscientious pet owner does not intention-

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ally seek to disgust or anger his/her neighbor and would, if kindly asked, deal with this by-product in a more tidy manner.

Meanwhile, M.L. Towl should count her blessings that the town she lives in and her lifestyle is so safe and so much "a given" that she can afford the luxury of leisure time and afford to live in such a beautiful place in which to enjoy it. People experience unspeakable pain and suffering, perhaps much closer than a third world country away. M.L. Towl should take care to put that thought in her head before she chooses to spread the opposite of good will.

**Sincerely,
Stacie Charbonneau
Mattapoisett**

To the Editor:

Mattapoisett may be special, but right now, it is in a budget squeeze. It's a good town that is presently struggling to improve and expand school facilities for the youth of the town, expand the library for all residents, and build a new fire station to protect the town's properties. Mattapoisett is growing and can no longer leave zoning, subdivision, and environmental issues in the hands of volunteers. The town needs professional assistance with these issues in order to move forward in a positive and orderly fashion. Two part-time positions have been recommended to the Board of Selectmen. The Town Planner Study Committee has recommended that a part-time planner be hired with experience and skills in zoning by-laws, subdivision regulations, and grantsmanship, keeping the town abreast of any grants that may be available to the town in these efforts. The hiring of a part-time Conservation Agent has also been recommended to the Selectmen to assist the Conservation Commission with the writing of conservation regulations. Skilled professionals are needed to guide development, while preserving the character of the town.

Most residents of the town want the best for the education of their youth. Yet, while willing to pay for the expansion of the schools, no final numbers are available and the taxpayers of the town can certainly expect a significant increase in taxes, if only for the expansion of the schools. The Finance Committee (FinCom), according to an article in *The Standard-*



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Now I would like to refute two rumors that have been circulating around town:

Rumor: "You intend to retire in four years"

Answer: I have no intention of retiring so young.

Rumor: "You don't have what it takes to run the office"

Answer: Really? Then why am I simultaneously training a recently hired secretary as well as a newly appointed temporary town clerk who has had absolutely no experience as a town clerk – anywhere?

Furthermore, in my previous work experience, I ran a one-woman office for two sister companies before they moved to Georgia. I did everything from being a receptionist to doing payroll, reporting taxes, figuring salespersons' commissions, writing letters for the two owners and performing other duties that keep a company running.

You should know that I ran the Town Clerk's office from the time that the retired town clerk left until the appointment of the temporary one. No problem.

Moreover, at Thanksgiving time, the appointed temporary town clerk wrote me a note thanking me for making the transition a smooth one, for if it were not for my professionalism and knowledge of the job, the transition would have been very difficult.

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Times of February 14, 2002, said it is already "looking at a \$700,000 shortfall in its \$14 million budget." The \$700,000 does not include requests from the Fire Department, the Water and Sewer Department, or the two part-time positions. According to the FinCom, the town is looking at "substantial overrides this year."

With all of these issues facing the town, I think it is now time to put the Bike Path to bed! The Bike Path Committee has been in existence for six years. They have received a grant of approximately \$105,000 to complete engineering. The town received a commitment for an appropriation six years ago of \$800,000 to build the Bike Path. Engineering and construction costs are still not finalized. Where is the business acumen of Mr. Kelleher, Mr. Bancroft and the rest of the Committee, to have not finalized costs and reported to the townspeople? Surely one would expect construction costs to have increased significantly over the past six years. Yet, I understand that one member of the (Bike) Committee, Mr. Cunningham, was told there would be a Bike Path at all costs!

Think of it — *six years*. Is this the "Big Dig"? Still, no negotiations have been finalized with the YMCA, no costs for land-takings have been finalized, nor have costs of potential suits from land owners been considered. Residents must understand that they are responsible for funding all overrides of construction costs over the \$800,000. These costs now are estimated at close to \$2.5 million, and the taxpayers of Mattapoisett must pay for this difference. And what do we get? A Bike Path from Fairhaven's town line to Mattapoisett Neck Road, where it stops. The YMCA property is circumvented, but the path continues to Depot Street. With all the financial issues that the residents of Mattapoisett are facing, the Bike Path should be put on a far back burner or put "to bed" completely.

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To the Editor:

With the wonderful help of our local newspapers, our quest for the blocks for the "Signs of Hope Quilt" was a smashing success! Since then, we have been very busy in our spare time.

The Valentine's Day deadline has come and gone for the quilt blocks. We received 45 quilt blocks from almost as many people. The different ideas and techniques were more than we had hoped for. The ideas include patriotism, doves, faith, hope, dawning of a new day, angels, friendship, eagles, animals, flags, and yellow ribbons. There are many more to see.

We had originally hoped for a queen-size quilt.

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However, we have enough for a queen and a throw. The queen used 30 blocks and the throw the rest.

In one evening, Emily McLaughlin, Edna Holstrom, Sue Shallies, and myself pieced the queen top together. It was awesome! Then, another night we set the top, batting and backing together. We also marked the top for hand quilting. Susan Ehrhart is piecing and quilting the throw. It is beautiful also. We are set to start quilting the queen this week. We have six or eight ladies to do their magic. It won't take too long — they will be more beautiful quilted!

Once the quilts are complete, they will be displayed at the Mayflower Bank in Rochester. The winning tickets will be drawn at 10:00 am on Saturday, May 4, 2002 at the bank. Tickets are now available at Bev Loves Books and the Plumb Memorial Library, at the Continental Deli, Hair Unlimited, and The Bookstall in Marion, at the Village Package Store and Seaport Village Coffee Shop in Mattapoisett, and Perry Farm Patchworks in Acushnet. The price for a chance is \$1 for one ticket, or a book of six for \$5. The proceeds will be donated to the Salvation Army for their fine efforts in many areas.

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My position on issues of concern to our senior citizens-

Housing: I worked to create the Mattapoisett Housing Partnership

There are two major areas that need to be address for seniors: Affordable housing and downsized housing for those seniors who can afford market value housing. I believe that my leadership in creating the Mattapoisett Housing Partnership will be the most effective means in addressing those housing issues. The MHP should be the driving force to identify the need and availability of land for housing for our seniors in town. The MHP can

also be the entity that can attract developers to utilize our Special Residential District zoning by-law to bring in attractive alternative condos and town house type housing to provide a more diverse housing inventory for Mattapoisett residents.

Taxes: I facilitated the creation of the Tax Relief Committee

Mattapoisett is faced with challenges regarding our inevitable increase in the real estate tax rate. The single biggest increase to our real estate taxes is the school-rebuilding project that we are currently undertaking. We have meet the towns educational need for the next generation, but without bringing in alternative [business] tax base, there will be no relief to our increasing residential tax rate. We must seek a better utilization of our Limited Industry [LI] zoning district. In the interim, we have the Tax Relief Committee to offer assistance to seniors and disabled persons. I was instrumental in implementing this voluntary program that is funded like the Scholarship fund, by taxpayer donations.

Transportation: We need more public transportation

Public transportation is extremely limited in Mattapoisett and we need resources over and above SRTA. As a community we need to work in conjunction with our Council On Aging and the neighboring communities to provide transportation for our seniors to their doctors in Wareham as well as the New Bedford/Dartmouth areas.


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To the Editor:

I would like to thank the Mattapoisett (Zoning Board of Appeals) ZBA for all the time and effort they put into handling the hearings for the Comprehensive Permit regarding The Regatta project. It may have gone unnoticed, but the many, many hours involved in trying to make a determination that would not ultimately hurt the town, fell entirely on their shoulders. It was a difficult decision for them to make. They had to weigh the consequences of issuing the permit, as the Town Counsel had urged them to do, or they had to go against his advice and deny the permit. The decision would ultimately impinge on the town forever. It should not be forgotten that it was not the residents who voted against it, it was the ZBA who listened to the residents and they are the ones who went against (Town Counsel) Dan Perry's advice and voted ... to deny the permit.

(Mr.) Perry told the Mattapoisett ZBA that his recommendation was to issue the developers a Comprehensive Permit to build The Regatta: a permit that would allow 76 to 88 units. What does it matter to (Mr.) Perry if the town wanted it or not? He actually had the nerve to tell the board to write a decision that he could defend so that he could win in the appeals court. Mr. Perry does not live in our town. What difference would it make to him if they build it or not? I would like Mr. Perry to know that he should work around the ZBA — they should not have to work around him! He probably realized that after they fired him.

The Town of Mattapoisett should take a second look as to whom they hire for legal advice in the future. The present Town Counsel, Dan Perry, did not impress me in the least. As a matter of fact, I thought he did a lousy job advising the ZBA. When a question was posed to the ZBA, Mr. Perry gave us

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vague, rambling, sometimes inaccurate information. He did not seem to be interested in what the residents had to say. There were serious questions that were answered at the last open ZBA hearing. The residents and the ZBA wanted answers to those questions. At one point, Mr. Perry sat at the ZBA table and pouted, refusing to answer question posed to him. He was clearly more worried about closing the hearings and avoiding potential law suits than he was in protecting the interests of the residents. I felt that no matter what I had said, or what concerns I had, Mr. Perry's only interest was to put an end to the meetings. Mr. Perry has a responsibility to act in the best interest of Mattapoisett but he did not.

Questions were asked about the acquisition costs and the amount of profit the developer could make. Mr. Perry told me, directly, that I (had) no right to concern myself with those matters — the pro forma, conservation issues — none of that

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was our concern. Mr. Perry concluded that the appeal to the (Department of Environmental Protection) regarding any conservation issues is not within the ZBA's jurisdiction and that the ZBA can only address, in Mr. Perry's own words, "zoning, density and similar matters that come before it." I didn't agree with Mr. Perry and when I told him that I felt he was wrong, he pouted and refused to respond to any further questions at the last public hearing.

Apparently, the new attorney hired by the ZBA, Dan Hill from the Boston law firm of Kopelman and Paige, did not agree with Mr. Perry either. It seems the ZBA was not limited to "zoning, density and similar matters that come before it."

Mr. Perry is not an expert in the Chapter 40B law, and he should have advised the town to hire an expert. Mr. Perry never questioned any of the legalities of the developer's application, nor did he attempt to find answers to the concerns of the residents with regard to the acquisition cost, the construction type, the height restriction, etc. His main focus was to "close the hearing as expeditiously" as possible. He never questioned what the rights of the developer were and what the rights of the town were. It all boiled down to Mr. Perry's attitude that because The Regatta was a "40B" project, the developer can do what they want anyway. He told the members of the ZBA this over and over again.

The *Standard-Times* article (1-21-02) stated: "An attempt by the Zoning Board of Appeals to seek advice during its deliberations of The Regatta project was thwarted (by) the town attorney." The Mattapoisett Town Counsel should be there to act in our best interest and not for us to act in his best interest. That is what Dan Perry was asking the board to do when he asked them to issue a permit that he could defend. He was not interested in protecting our town. That is why the ZBA hired a new lawyer, which was a difficult decision because they were facing such time constraints. The Mattapoisett ZBA made a decision that the residents wanted them to make, and I applaud them for having the courage to do so.

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Rochester Republican Committee

Interested in a local race or just the Governor's race? Whatever or whoever you think will most impact your future could well be in attendance at a Breakfast Buffet being hosted by the Rochester Republican Town Committee. The event will take place on Saturday, March 30 at 9:30 am in the Fireside Grille at the Middleboro Rotary. Space is limited, so for information or tickets please contact any Town Committee member or call 508-763-5619 or 508-763-8866, or visit the Rochester Town Committee website at www.rochestergop.org.

Marion-Bermuda Yacht Race

The 2003 Marion-Bermuda Cruising Yacht Race will start on Friday, June 20, 2003 with no significant changes to Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions anticipated. The race will continue to use AMERICAP rating system and divide fleet into celestial and electronic divisions. Jack Braitmayer, Chairman of the Marion-Bermuda Cruising Yacht Race, announced the start date following a meeting at the Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club (RHADC) in Paget, Bermuda. It has been held every two years since its successful introduction 26

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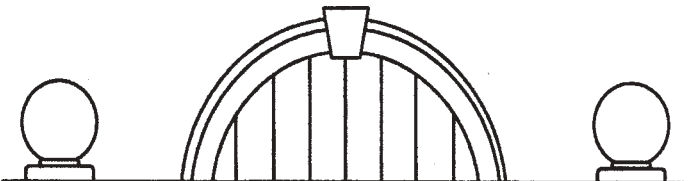
For further information, please contact Faith Paulsen, MBCYR Association, Inc. at 508-748-2001 or visit the website at www.marionbermuda.com.

Maconchu Club

On Saturday, March 23, the Maconchu Club will be attending ORR High School's rendition of *Damn Yankees!* The play starts at 8:00 pm and the cost is \$9 for adults, \$7 for students and senior citizens. Please make your checks payable to The Maconchu Club and send it to Carol Atkinson, 4 Hilton Avenue, Mattapoisett. You can pick up your ticket from Carol at the door on March 23. Please come early so everyone can sit together.

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Comedy Night in Mattapoisett

The Mattapoisett Lions Club will be presenting its First Annual Comedy Night at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Mattapoisett on Saturday, April 6 from 8:00 pm to 12:00 midnight.

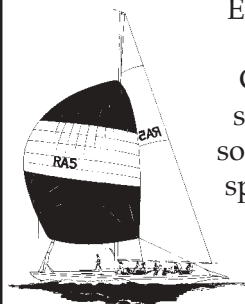
The evening will begin with music provided by the musical group, "Then and Now," featuring music from the '40s through the present.

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Rochester Society Views American Painters

Early American portrait artists Cephias Thompson and his son, Cephias Thompson Jr., will be the subject of the Rochester Historical Society's meeting on Wednesday, March 20 at the North Rochester Congregational Church, 245 North Avenue. The public is invited to attend and refreshments will be served.

The program begins at 7:00 pm and will include a slide show of 75 portraits by the artists, and will be narrated by Attorney George Decas. Mr. Decas will speak to the group about Middleboro native Cephias Thompson, a noted portrait painter and his children, Cephias G., Jerome and Marietta — also well-known artists of the 19th century. Cephias Thompson had ties to Rochester through

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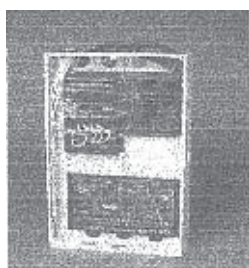
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Please join the Rochester Historical Society for what is sure to be an interesting and informative presentation. President James Gurney will chair the meeting. For further information, please contact Georgia D. Chamberlain at 508-295-1913.

Mattapoisett Caution Seals

Mattapoisett Animal Control Officer Kathy Masse has reported that several seals have been spotted on the beach and coastline of Mattapoisett. Although these animals may seem benign, residents are urged to not go near the mammals or attempt to lead them back into the water, as they are liable to bite and can carry rabies. Instead, they should contact her or her Assistant Animal Control Officers by calling the Mattapoisett Police Department at 508-758-4141. Seals are protected by the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) and it is against the law to touch, feed or otherwise harass seals. Harassment occurs when *your* behavior changes *their* behavior.

Lions Club Seeks Runner

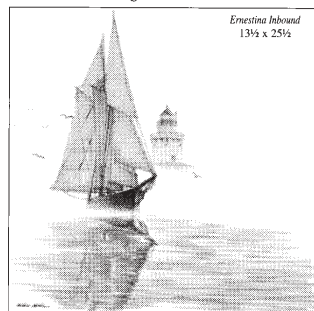
The Mattapoisett Lions Club announced that it is looking to adopt a runner in the 106th Boston Marathon. The Mattapoisett Lions Club is part of a statewide effort called "Run Into The Light" to raise pledges for eye research. Since its inception, the Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Fund has provided millions of dollars to prevent blindness.

Members of the Mattapoisett Lions Club will collect pledges throughout the community in the sponsored runner's name. The runner, who need not be a Lion, will receive a "Lions Run Into The Light" running t-shirt

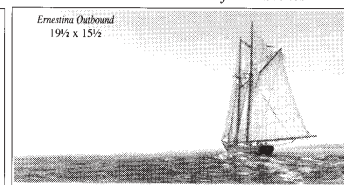
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Mattapoisett Spring Fling

The Mattapoisett Yacht Club will celebrate its annual "Spring Fling" at the Century House in Acushnet on March 23, 2002. This occasion kicks off the many events to follow in the 2002 season. The celebration begins at 5:00 pm with cocktails, dinner, dancing and a presentation/slide show by Patrick L. Muldoon, Executive Director of the Museum of Yachting in Newport, RI. Mr. Muldoon is a Past Commodore of the Junior Mattapoisett Yacht Club, having raced in Beetle Cats. He can be seen

crewing on *Revelation*, a C&C 35, in MYC races. His presentation during the Spring Fling will deal with the history of yachting up through and including the America's Cup. The Museum of Yachting is the present-day berth for *Courageous*, a two-time America's Cup winner. Mattapoisett Yacht Club members and the general public are invited to attend. Please contact Kathy Martens at 508-758-4768 for more information.

Rochester Brick Campaign

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Family Boating Classes

Prepare for the boating season by joining classes in Boating Skills and Seamanship offered by the Marion Flotilla of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Families, new boaters, young people who want to prepare to meet the state requirements for those under the age of 16 operating a power boat alone, and those who want to refresh their skills are invited to join the classes which will be held on Wednesday evenings at Sippican, Inc. off Route 6 in Marion.

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Acushnet Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration will be held at Acushnet Elementary School, 800 Middle Road in Acushnet, on Thursday, April 11 at 10:00 am for children who will be five years old by September 30, 2002. Parents only will register their children for Kindergarten, meet the Kindergarten teachers, receive a school registration packet, and make an appointment for a Kindergarten

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Jordan Collyer is available by e-mail at any time for your questions.

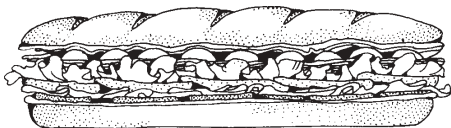
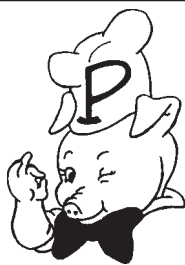
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Mattapoisett Rabies Clinic

A Cat and Dog Rabies Clinic will be held on Sunday, March 17, 2002 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Mattapoisett Fire Station, Route 6 in Mattapoisett. Fee is \$10 per animal and all pets must be properly restrained (all dogs must be leashed). This clinic is sponsored by the Mattapoisett Board of Health, Capeway Veterinary Hospital, and the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture. For more information, please call the Mattapoisett Board of Health at 508-758-4112.

Alice in Marion Land

Dance Prism's interactive family dance event, *A Tea Party with Alice in Wonderland*, will come to Tabor Academy in Marion on Sunday, March 24 at 2:30 pm. The performance of the ballet, one of the company's most popular signature works, will be followed by a slightly zany English tea during which children (and adults) in the audience will be invited to have complimentary tea and sweets with Alice, the White Rabbit, and other madcap inhabitants of Wonderland.

Dance Prism's original production of *Alice in Wonderland*, choreographed by Scott Ranagan and Mary Demaso to the light-hearted music of Percy Grainger, follows Lewis Carroll's classic tale of a little girl's pursuit of a White Rabbit into an unpredictable land where



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fantasy and absurdity prevail. According to the choreographers, the company's interpretation aims to preserve the sophistication of Carroll's satiric wit within a colorful framework of costuming and choreography that invites the attention of younger audiences.

The ballet traces Alice's encounters with such legendary figures as the Mad Hatter and the March Hare, the Cheshire Cat, and the irascible Queen of Hearts with her retinue of Cards. A new feature of this season's production is the addition of a whimsical Game of Chess.

Dance Prism, a touring ballet company founded by Demaso and Ranagan, has performed throughout New England for nineteen years; its *Nutcracker* productions have been holiday season delight for SouthCoast residents for well over a decade. *Alice in Wonderland* has been a popular staple of the company's repertory since its 1987 premiere; performances at Mechanics Hall in Worcester and other New England theaters are annual spring events. The current production focuses on company dancers Sonya Turner as Alice, Mara Shelton as the Queen of Hearts, Clarissa Eaton as the Cheshire Cat, and Jonathan

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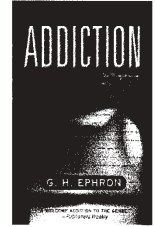


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The Laramie Project. Starring Christina Ricci, Steve Buscemi, Laura Linney, many others. Directed by Moisés Kaufman. Running time: 95 minutes. Rating: TV-14. An HBO Original Movie.

How to forge art from tragedy? One way is to forget art and let tragedy speak for itself. In *The Laramie Project*, an Off-Broadway play and now one of the many Original Movies that have made HBO a dramatic force, the playwright Moisés Kaufman and his Tectonic Theater Project did just that. Kaufman and his interviewers journeyed to Laramie, Wyoming, in the wake of the vicious murder of 21-year-old Matthew Shepard, beaten and left for dead by two homophobes who'd hoped to "scare him straight" — teach him a "lesson" about hitting on God-fearing men. The goal of the project was to collect the townspeople's thoughts and memories, which often conflicted and painted a portrait of Anywhere, USA.

The result is a fascinating chorus of outrage and sadness, hatred and hope; pretty much every voice we hear is authentic, taken from actual interviews. The form isn't quite simulated documentary — it's closer to what the playwright Anna Deavere Smith does when she takes disparate viewpoints of an event (the L.A. riots, etc.) and turns them into a performance piece. Whereas Smith plays all the roles herself, though, *The Laramie Project* recruits actors to stand in for the real-life interview subjects. As captured on film now, it is — in addition to its other qualities — a feast for fans of indie actors: Steve Buscemi, Christina Ricci, Janeane Garofalo, Laura Linney, and Amy Madigan are only a fraction of the surprising talent here.

Kaufman (played here by Nestor Carbonelli) and his crew of New York theater interlocutors step tentatively into Laramie, encountering some resistance, some cooperation, and a lot of shame. "Hate is not a Laramie value," announces a red-lettered sign on the town's main strip. Many of the people want to put the Shepard case behind them and go back to a time when the name of their home was not synonymous with "hate crime." A frequent refrain is that the town motto is "Live and let live," but others in Laramie might amend that to "Live and let live as long as you're heterosexual or closeted."

The work is built on great voices, not necessarily enlightened ones: Laura Linney plays a housewife who can't understand why a big fuss was made over Matthew's death when people are murdered every day (apparently nobody told her that people tend not to be

murdered just because they're heterosexual); James Murtaugh embodies the notorious, grotesque Rev. Fred Phelps, who attends the funerals of gay people and waves placards like *FAGS BURN IN HELL*. This isn't a religion-bashing project, though: Father Roger Schmit (Tom Bower) speaks movingly for an end to homophobic violence and wishes that the murderers, Aaron McKinney and Russell Henderson, could become society's "teachers" — he wants to learn where simple distaste or disapproval crosses the line into homicide.

Like HBO's other prestigious gay-interest movie *And the Band Played On*, this one has attracted a slew of high-powered talent — Christina Ricci contributes a well-drawn, atypically ungloomy performance as a self-described "little lesbian"; Joshua Jackson of *Dawson's Creek* scores big as the good-hearted bartender who was one of the last to see Matthew alive; Amy Madigan is tough and vulnerable all at once as the police officer first called to the scene; Clancy Brown, usually stuck in bad-guy roles (stomping prisoners in *The Shawshank Redemption*, for instance), shows a softer side as a cop quietly appalled at the notion of gay-bashing.

But the heart of the movie belongs to one of its least-known actors in a bare minimum of screen time — Terry Kinney, a veteran of the network's prison drama *Oz*, stands up in court near the end as Matthew's grieving father. Dennis Shepard's speech in tribute to his son ("my hero") and in exhortation of the killers — and his argument for not giving his son's murderers the death penalty, even though he believes in capital punishment and would like to watch them die — is astonishing in its uncalculated simplicity; by the time he gets to the part about how Matthew didn't die alone — the sights and sounds of his beloved town were with him — the words become poetry, and Kinney brings it home without fuss or grandstanding. It's moments like these — and many lesser, though scarcely less moving, sequences — that demonstrate how voices can be collected into art.

• **The Laramie Project** next airs on HBO: March 17 at 2:15 am and 11:30 pm; March 21 at 4:30 pm; March 22 at 12:00 am; March 27 at 11:30 am and 8:00 pm; and March 30 at 3:30 pm.



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 We Were Soldiers (R) - 1:00, 4:05, 7:10, 9:50
 Return to Neverland (G) - 1:05
 John Q (PG-13) - 1:30, 4:15, 7:05, 9:40
 Time Machine (PG-13) - 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:20
 Dragonfly (PG-13) - 4:10, 9:15
 Big Fat Liar (PG) - 12:55
 40 Days & 40 Nights (R) - 12:35, 2:40, 4:55, 7:30, 9:30
 All About The Benjamins (R) - 12:50, 3:05, 5:15, 7:35, 9:55
 A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) - 3:10, 6:55, 9:45
 I Am Sam (PG-13) - 4:20
 Lord of the Rings (PG-13) - 12:45, 7:45
 Monster's Ball (R) - 4:00, 7:00, 9:10

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 Return to Neverland (G) - 1:40, 4:20
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 Crossroads (PG-13) - 1:00, 3:10, 5:10, 7:20, 9:20
 John Q (PG-13) - Fri: 1:20, 3:50, 6:40, 9:10; Sat: 1:20, 3:50, 9:10; Sun-Wed: 1:20, 3:50, 6:40, 9:10
 All About The Benjamins (R) - 1:20, 4:10, 6:50, 9:00
 Ice Age (PG) - 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00
 Showtime (PG-13) - 12:50, 3:00, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30
 Big Fat Liar (PG) - 1:40, 4:00, 6:30
 Resident Evil (R) - 1:10, 3:50, 7:00, 9:20
 We Were Soldiers (R) - 1:30, 4:30, 7:30
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Distaff Mattapoissett History

Who were those women who helped fashion the history of the Town of Mattapoissett? Come to the Mattapoissett Museum and Carriage House, 5 Church Street, on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:30 pm to learn more about this distaff side. Bette Roberts, Museum Curator, will present this program which offers insight into Mattapoissett's women of note. The program is open to the public.

Marion Chicken BBQ

The Benjamin D. Cushing Post 2425 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) in Marion has announced a Texas-Style, Take-Out Only Chicken Barbecue for Sunday, March 24 at 12:00 noon at the VFW Pavilion on Route 6 (Mill Street) in Marion. The menu will feature a half-chicken barbecued, potato salad, blue lake green beans, cranberry sauce, roll and butter, and dessert. Donation is \$8 per person. For tickets and more information, please call John Robarge (508-295-9107); Gardner McWilliams (508-295-9558); Robert Demeo (508-748-0312); Harry Brown Jr. (508-763-5619); or Jere Hill (508-295-5047).

Rochester Land Trust

The Rochester Land Trust will be holding its Annual Meeting on Wednesday, March 27 at the Fellowship Hall of the Rochester Congregational Church on Route 105. All interested parties are invited to attend. Guest speakers will be Anna White and George Lawrence who will share their memories of Rochester. A pot luck

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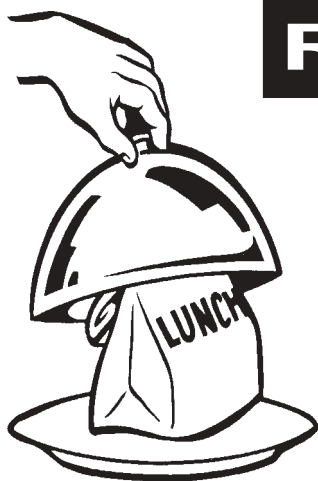
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Monday, March 18 – French toast sticks, turkey sandwich, sausage link, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday, March 19 – Spaghetti and meatballs, ham sandwich, green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday, March 20 – Chicken patty on a bun, bologna sandwich, rice, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday, March 21 – Hot dog on a roll, ham sandwich, potato puffs, green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday, March 22 – French bread pizza, tuna salad sandwich, macaroni salad, fresh fruit, milk.

• COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, March 18 – American chop suey, broccoli, light rye bread, tapioca pudding.

Tuesday, March 19 – Chicken rice soup, herb baked chicken leg, winter squash, wheat bread, fresh fruit.

Wednesday, March 20 – Pork patty with gravy, O'Brien potatoes, Harvard beets, oatmeal bread, apple sauce, fresh fruit.

Thursday, March 21 – Roasted turkey, whipped potato, cranberry sauce, peas and mushrooms, bread, apple pixie sticks.

Friday, March 22 – Cheese omelet, hash browns, tomato juice, muffin, fresh fruit.

• CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, March 18 – Hot dog, chicken dippers, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, March 19 – Beef taco, turkey pocket, lettuce, tomato, cheese, nachos, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, March 20 – Stuffed shells with garlic bread, toasted cheese, soup, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, March 21 – Oven baked chicken, Steak'Um, oven fries, corn, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, March 22 – Cheese or pepperoni stuffed crust pizza, fish in a roll, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

• FAIRHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, March 18 – Broccoli with cheese, stuffed shells with sauce, grated mozzarella, garlic bread, chicken burger club, mac rib sub, potato wedges, green beans, chilled peaches, lime jello with topping.

Tuesday, March 19 – Stuffed manicotti with sauce, grated mozzarella, garlic bread, shaved turkey club, hot pastrami grinder, oven potatoes, carrots, chilled apricots, baked apple with topping.

Wednesday, March 20 – EARLY RELEASE (no lunch served, gazebo open).

Thursday, March 21 – Caçõila grinder, meatball grinder with grated mozzarella, grilled ham and cheese, tuna salad grinder, shoestring fries, baked beans, chilled peaches, blueberry crisp with topping.

Friday, March 22 – Spinach and cheese stuffed shells with sauce, grated mozzarella, garlic bread, seafood salad grinder, ham and cheese on rye, potato puffs, corn niblets, chilled pears, chocolate whip with topping.

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, March 18 – Hot dog, chicken dippers, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, March 19 – Beef taco, turkey pocket, lettuce, tomato, cheese, nachos, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, March 20 – Stuffed shells with garlic bread, toasted cheese, soup, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, March 21 – Oven baked chicken, Steak'Um, oven fries, corn, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, March 22 – Cheese or pepperoni stuffed crust pizza, fish in a roll, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, March 18 – Chicken patty, French fries, peas and carrots, cranberry sauce, fruit, marble cake.

Tuesday, March 19 – Orange juice, Sloppy Joe, ham and cheese, rice, green beans, fruit, chocolate pudding.

Wednesday, March 20 – Soup, turkey salad roll, hash brown patty, apple sauce, mixed vegetables, peanut butter macaroon.

Thursday, March 21 – Shepherd pie, cold cut sandwich, chips, carrots, fruit, blueberry square.

Friday, March 22 – Pizza, seafood salad roll, potato puffs, peas, fruit, assorted dessert.

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL, MATTAPOISETT

Monday, March 18 – Hot dog, chicken dippers, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, March 19 – Beef taco, turkey pocket, lettuce, tomato, cheese, nachos, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, March 20 – Stuffed shells with garlic bread, toasted cheese, soup, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, March 21 – Oven baked chicken, Steak'Um, oven

fries, corn, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, March 22 – Cheese or pepperoni stuffed crust pizza, fish in a roll, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

• ORR JUNIOR and SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, March 18 – Soup, chicken parmesan with fries, steak with cheese roll, hot spicy wings, pickle, dessert, juice or milk.

Tuesday, March 19 – Soup, teriyaki chicken fillet, bacon cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, pickle, potato wedge, dessert, juice or milk.

Wednesday, March 20 – Soup, American chop suey, hot dog or chicken patty, garlic bread, green beans, dessert, juice or milk.

Thursday, March 21 – Soup, beef fajita roll-up, pastrami with cheese, Italian sub, lettuce, tomato, nachos, cheese sauce, dessert, juice or milk.

Friday, March 22 – Soup, hamburger with gravy, chicken nuggets, mashed potato, peas or corn, roll, dessert, juice or milk.

• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, March 18 – Hot dog, chicken dippers, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, March 19 – Beef taco, turkey pocket, lettuce, tomato, cheese, nachos, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, March 20 – Stuffed shells with garlic bread, toasted cheese, soup, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, March 21 – Oven baked chicken, Steak'Um, oven fries, corn, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, March 22 – Cheese or pepperoni stuffed crust pizza, fish in a roll, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

OTHER MENU ITEMS NOT AVAILABLE AT PRESS TIME

supper will precede the meeting and all are invited to bring a special dish and share in the meal which will include Norene Hartley's famous "Land Trust Soup." The Pot Luck Supper starts at 6:00 pm, with the meeting immediately following at 7:00 pm. They look forward to seeing you there.

Mattapoisett Local Scholarships

Mattapoisett Local Scholarships made possible through generous donations of taxpayers under MGL Chapter 60 will be awarded for 2002. Applications are now available in high school guidance offices as follows: Bishop Stang High School, Guidance Office; Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, Guidance Office; Old Rochester Regional High School, Guidance Office; Tabor Academy, College Placement Office. Applicants must be residents of Mattapoisett, 2002 graduating seniors who are going on to post-secondary education. Each high school has established a procedure for completion of applications. High schools will forward completed applications to the Scholarship Committee by April 1, 2002.

Mattapoisett Memorial Scholarships

Applications are now available for the 2002 scholarships from the Mattapoisett Congregational Church office, 27 Church Street, Monday through Friday between 9:00 am and 12:00 noon, or at the Guidance Offices at ORR High School and Bishop Stang High School.

Applicants must be residents of Mattapoisett, Marion or Rochester, or members of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, and must be high school seniors graduating in June, or previous graduates who have applied for or are re-entering an accredited post-secondary education program. The criteria for choosing recipients are financial need, scholastic achievement, and initiative. The deadline for filing applications is Wednesday, April 10, 2002.

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OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Stephen Helman, Principal, proudly announced the following "High Honors" and "Honors" designations for the second quarter of the 2001-2002 school year at Old Rochester Regional Junior High School.

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Carolyn Nicole Griffiths
Terrence John Hartford
Walter Rhodes Hartley
Kenly Ann Hiller
Kathleen Marie Hourihan
William Andrew Hulton
Maura Shaylin Jones
Angila Marie Joseph
Angela Renee Kantner
Katherine Ann Kenny
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Matthew William LaPlante
Rachel Dubois LaVallee
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Dwight Christy McCombe
Taylor Marie Mello
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Robert Letendre
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Kyle Nicole MacDonald
Timothy Ryan Mathews
Deborah Aileen Maxey
Jocelyn Roseanne Mayer
Gregory Hartigan Maynard
Marielle Elise McCarthy
Justin Michael McClurg
Nancy Sue Mitchell
Kyle Jacob Motta
Allyson Nicole Murray
Nicholas David Nobrega
Bridget Cara O'Donnell
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Lindsey Anne Pelissier
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Emily Ann Wingate
Alex Peter Zarlengo



ORR JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FEBRUARY, 2002

Stephen Helman, Principal at Orr Junior High School, recently announced the following "Students of the Month" for February, 2002:

- **GREEN TEAM:** Kelsey Figueiredo and Myles Lowery.
- **ORANGE TEAM:** Amber-Rae Gilbert and Ian MacGregor.
- **BLUE TEAM:** Holly Severance and Zackary Goodman.
- **RED TEAM:** Jordyn Cormier and Brandon Correia.

2002 DAVE COWENS ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS NOMINEES

Following are students who have been nominated for the 2002 Dave Cowens Achievement Awards:

- **Bishop Stang High School, Dartmouth:** Joseph Deschene and Sarah Roy.
- **Fairhaven High School:** Patrick Mullen and Krystle Nowak.
- **New Bedford High School:** Corey Draffen and Sayde McPhee.
- **Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, Rochester:** Joshua Smith and Jennifer Vasseur.
- **Old Rochester Regional High School, Mattapoisett:** Tyler Middleton and Kyra Jackivicz.
- **Wareham High School:** Billy Cardoza (*no female nominee*).

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A fifth scholarship is for a woman who will be entering a post-secondary school after a significant period of interruption. Applications for this scholarship may be obtained by calling Florrie Smith at 508-758-2140.

Marion Garden Group

The Marion Garden Discussion Group will be hosting Ruah Donnelly, author of *The Adventurous Gardener: Where to Buy the Best Plants in New England*. The book is a horticultural travel guide of New England, with 150 growers of native, antique and unusual plants profiled. A lecture and discussion will be held on Tuesday, April 2 at 7:00 pm at the Music Hall in Marion. The meeting is open to the public and the admission at the door is \$5 per person. For further information, please contact Patricia Petit at 508-748-2136.



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Local Police Logs

MARION

The following log excerpts are for the week of March 3 through March 9, 2002:

- Arrowhead Lane – animal complaint
- Parkway Lane – found property
- Route 105 – suspicious activity
- Briggs Lane – animal complaint
- Front Street – animal complaint
- Mill Street – larceny/past
- Front Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Wareham Road – officer wanted
- Front Street – forgery
- Spring Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Front Street – parking violation
- Converse Road – order of protection
- Green Street – motor vehicle complaint
- Point Road – found property
- Spring Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Green Street – noise complaint/adult arrest (disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace, assault and battery on police officer)
- Quail's Crossing Road – noise complaint
- Mill Street – larceny/past
- Front Street – suspicious person
- Delano Road – animal complaint
- Briggs Lane – officer wanted
- Delano Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Pitcher Street – family offense
- Front Street – explosion
- Green Street – animal complaint
- Converse Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Arrowhead Lane – breaking and entering/in progress
- Spring Street – adult arrest (default warrant, larceny by check over \$250)
- Point Road – breaking and entering/past
- Spring Street – parking violation
- Gifford's Corner Road – officer wanted
- Gifford's Corner Road – family disturbance
- Wareham Road – lost property
- Point Road – structure fire

- Wareham Road – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Mill Street – adult arrest (default warrant, motor vehicle violations, larceny by check)
- Mill Street – officer wanted/adult arrest (assault and battery)
- Mill Street – suspicious activity
- Converse Road – motor vehicle accident/personal injury
- Point Road – disturbance
- Mill Street – vandalism/past
- Point Road – assault and battery with dangerous weapon
- Upland Way – animal complaint
- Holly Lane – animal complaint
- Front Street – gathering
- Spring Street – vandalism/past.

MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of March 3 through March 9, 2002:

- King Philip Road – suspicious activity
- Baptist Street – suspicious activity/persons
- West Hill Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- North Road – juvenile arrest (warrant)
- Park Street – suspicious activity
- Marion Road – trespassing/possible intruder at high school
- Hawthorne Street – suspicious activity/persons
- Hereford Hill Road – vandalism/property damage
- Fairhaven Road – vandalism to building
- County Road – fraud
- Bridle Path Way – civil complaint
- Park Street – complaint of barking dog
- County Road – counterfeiting/forgery
- Atassawamock Road – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/truck knocked down a tree
- Fairhaven Road – adult arrest (warrant)
- Homestead Court – harassing phone calls
- North Street – low hanging wire
- Water Street – suspicious activity
- North Street – harassing phone calls
- Industrial Drive – suspicious activity/motor vehicle
- County Road – adult arrest (warrant)
- Shore View Avenue – larceny
- Aucoot Road – suspicious activity/motor vehicle
- North Street – traffic violation
- County Road – assault and battery
- Industrial Drive – suspicious activity/minors in possession of alcohol
- Long Plain Road – suspicious activity
- Marina Drive – disturbance/house party
- North Street – adult arrest (operating

under the influence)

- County Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Fairhaven Road – breaking and entering/burglary
- County Road – returned property
- North Street – animal control
- Wolf Island Road – suspicious activity.

ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of March 3 through March 11, 2002:

- Mattapoisett Road – highway matter
- Old Colony Regional Voke – animal control matter
- Mendell Road – highway matter
- Route 105 – animal complaint
- Mattapoisett Road – paper service
- Rochester Cafe and Bakery – escort requested
- North Avenue – car hit deer
- Duhamel Drive – health and welfare check
- Walnut Plain Road – suspicious activity
- Walnut Plain Road – road hazard
- North Avenue – motor vehicle accident
- Pine Street – animal control matter
- Mendall Road – car hit deer
- New Bedford Road – adult arrest (operating unlicensed)
- County Road – loud bang/disturbance
- Harris Rebar – suspicious motor vehicle
- Plumb Corner Mall – animal control matter
- Parlowtown Road – explosion reported
- Bradford Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
- Memorial School – adult arrests: 3 (warrants)
- High Street – animal control matter
- Looks Mills Lane – officer wanted
- Looks Mill Way – civil complaint
- Ferring Hill Road – motor vehicle accident
- North Avenue – suspicious motor vehicle
- Route 195 – suspicious motor vehicle
- Alley Road – vandalism
- High Street – animal control matter
- Mattapoisett Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Walnut Plain Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Snipatuit Road – breaking and entering
- Mattapoisett Road – breaking and entering into motor vehicle
- Clapp Road – suspicious motor vehicle.

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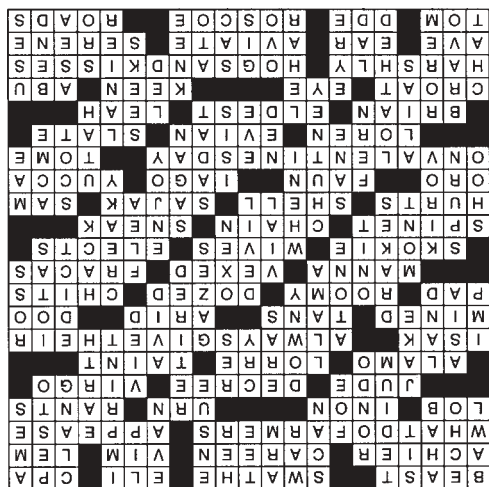
Rochester Congregational Church

The community is cordially invited to share in a special Palm Sunday Service at the First Congregational Church of Rochester on Sunday, March 24. The 10:30 am service will feature the choir performing a contemporary cantata, "The Lamb of God," with instrumental accompaniment. Traditional palms will be distributed and a coffee fellowship will follow the service. Join them for a very inspirational and meaningful hour of worship and praise.

On Thursday, March 28, there will be a Maundy Thursday Service at the First Congregational Church of Rochester. Join them for a meaningful Service of Tennebrae at 7:30 pm. The service of Tennebrae dates from the fifth century church and commemorates Jesus' Last Supper. It includes communion, reading from scripture, and the gradual extinguishing of candles lighting the sanctuary.

On Sunday, March 31, a Special Sunrise Service will be held at 7:00 am on the green in front of the church. Following the Sunrise Service, breakfast will be served from 7:30 to 9:00 am and include a variety of entrees. Donation for the breakfast is \$3.50 for adults and \$2.50 for children and just \$10 for families. For those wishing to sleep late, the Church will also hold a traditional Easter Service at its regular Sunday morning worship time of

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6 Wrap up
12 President Bush was one
15 Numbers man?
18 More painful
20 Swerve
21 Vigor's partner
22 Moon crawler
23 Riddle: Part 1
25 Mollify
27 Badminton stroke
28 Privy to
29 Fancy vase
31 Declaims
32 "Hey —" ('68 smash)
33 Order
37 Sign of summer
38 Texas landmark
40 "M" man
41 Contaminate
43 Author Dinesen
44 Riddle: Part 2
49 Sought silver
51 Makes leather
52 Like the Kalahari
53 — wop

54 Tablet
55 Commodious
57 Nodded off
59 Cocky kids
61 Exodus edible
62 Annoyed
63 Melee
64 Illinois city
66 Riddle: Part 3
67 Votes in
68 Grand relative
69 "— of Fools" ('67 hit)
70 Prowl
71 Injures
72 Stuffed pasta
73 Big wheel on "Wheel"
74 Peckinpah or Wana-maker
77 Granada gold
78 Goatish gamboler
79 Shake-spearean villain
80 New Mexico's state flower
82 Riddle: Part 4
87 Heavy reading?
88 Pont's partner
89 French spa
90 Roofing material

92 Dennehy or Keith
94 Firstborn
96 Rachel's sister
97 Zagreb native
98 Needle feature
99 Sharp
100 — Dhab
103 In a rough manner
105 Answer to riddle
111 Broad st.
112 Bend
115 Petty or someone's — (yak)
113 Emulate Earhart
114 Tranquil
115 Petty or Poston
116 HST's successor
117 Conkling or Ates
118 Thorough-fares

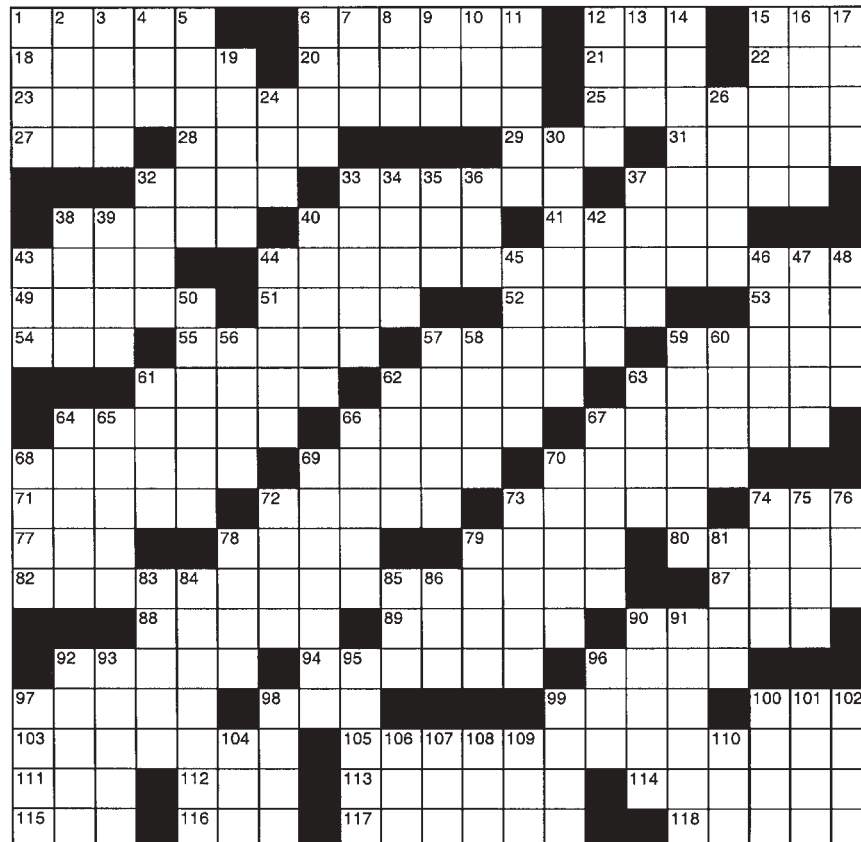
DOWN

1 Holler
2 Narcissus' nymph
3 Melville monomaniac
4 Plop down
5 Monotony
6 Read quickly
7 Tolstoy title start
8 Branch

9 Pigskin prop
10 "Tell — No" ('65 hit)
11 Happen next
12 Writer Hunter
13 Sass
14 Lasting effect
15 Trolley sound
16 Trattoria treat
17 Iowa city
19 Sonata movement
24 Adversary
26 Big revolver?
30 Hit the hay
32 TV's "— and the Fatman"
33 Soft
34 Ages
35 "A — in the Dark" ('88 film)
36 Legal matter
37 Competed
38 — Minor Kennedy
39 Arrive at
40 Andes animal
42 Eager
43 Frankster
44 Right a wrong
45 Looks longingly
46 Proclamation

47 Greek vowels
48 Renowned seamstress
50 Daddy ducks
56 Step — (hurry)
57 Blue-dress wearer?
58 The yoke's on them
59 Like some stairs
60 Taxi
61 — Blanc
62 Lab equipment
63 Word with circus or collar
64 Cold-shoulder
65 Ballet company
66 "— Fall in Love" ('62 hit)
67 Savor
68 "Scat!"
69 Rampur relish
70 "The Dragons of Eden" author
72 Rational
73 Egyptian
74 James Herriot, for one
75 Pinnacle
76 Dogpatch's Daisy —

78 Office plant
79 Egyptian deity
81 Hatch's home
83 Nom de crime?
84 Detested
85 With 93 Down, "Air Music" composer
86 First lady?
90 Goes after
91 Poet
92 Tenor's tribute
93 See 85 Down
95 "The Merry Widow" composer
96 Rock's — Zeppelin
97 Gab
98 Thornfield governess
99 Elbow's counterpart
100 On the briny
101 Curve
102 Applications
104 Little guy
106 "Ab —" (from the beginning)
107 "M*A*S*H" extras
108 Cul-de- —
109 From — Z
110 Theater sign



SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Keep an open mind about a suggestion you see as unworkable. Give it a chance to prove itself one way or another. The results could surprise both supporters and detractors.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) News about an upcoming venture causes you to make some last-minute adjustments in your plans. But the extra work will pay off, as you come to learn more about the potential benefits opening up.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A more positive aspect grows out of your determination to reach your immediate goals. Continue to keep your focus sharp and on target by steering clear of petty quarrels and other pesky problems.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) By acting as a voice of reason, you can avoid adding to an already turbulent situation. You might have to shout over the tumult, but your words will ultimately be heard and heeded.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The possibility of a new acquisition always makes those Leonine eyes light up. But be careful that what you see is what you want. Appearances can often be deceiving.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) No matter how much you might feel that you're in the right, resist saying anything that could reignite a still-unresolved situation. Let the matter drop, and move on.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Help with a personal problem comes from an unexpected source. You also find workplace pressures easing. Use this period of calm to restore your spent energies.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might have to share the credit for that project you're working on. But there'll be enough credit to go around, and your efforts will be recognized and rewarded.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Details need to be dealt with before you can move on to another area. Make sure you don't leave any loose ends that could later cause everything to unravel.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) News about a change in the workplace carries with it a challenge you could find difficult to resist. Check it out. It could be what you've been waiting for.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Allowing your artistic nature full expression will help restore your spirits and will put you in the mood to take on that new career challenge. A Libra creates excitement.

PISCES (February 19-March 20) Expect to happily plunge right into a hectic social whirl starting at week's end. Your aspects favor new friendships as well as the strengthening of old relationships.

BORN THIS WEEK: Like St. Patrick (who was also born this week), your spiritual strength is an inspiration to others.

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10:30 am. Pastor Bob Barletta will deliver the message.

The First Congregational Church of Rochester is a friendly, Christ-centered fellowship located in the town center. Church School for all ages is at 9:15 am followed by Sunday Worship led by Interim Pastor Bob Barletta at 10:30 am, with Nursery provided. A time of fellowship follows the Sunday Service. The church is wheelchair-accessible. For more information, please call the church office at 508-763-4314.

Mattapoisett Town Clerk

Town Election

The Annual Town Election will be held on April 2, 2002 at the **Knights of Columbus Hall on Route 6 in Mattapoisett**. The polls will be open from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm. Please call the Town Clerk's office if you have any questions at 508-758-4103. (Please note the change in polling place.)

Census

The 2002 Census for the annual street listing was mailed out in mid-January. Massachusetts General Law (Chapter 51, Section 4) requires every city and town to conduct an annual census and it is mandatory that you return it to the Town Clerk's office. If you did not receive one or you can't remember if you mailed it back, please call the Town Clerk's office at 508-758-4103 and they can take the information over the phone. *Please note: the name of any voter who fails to respond to a census mailing is placed*

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on the inactive voters list per Massachusetts General Law (Chapter 51, Section 37).

Dog Licenses

Dog license renewal forms were also mailed out in January as part of the census mailing. All dogs must be licensed by March 31, 2002 to avoid a late fee. If you did not receive the mailing and have a dog to license, please call the Town Clerk's office and they will mail you a form.

SRD Rules and Regs

The Planning Board has drawn up the rules and regulations for the new Special Residential Development by-law that was passed at the Special Town Meeting on January 14, 2002. Copies are now available at the Town Clerk's office.

The Mattapoisett Town Clerk's office is here to serve you. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Temporary Town Clerk Rebecca McCullough at 508-758-4103 or email her at rmccullough@mattapoisett.net.

Easter Bunny in Rochester

The Rochester Lions club will hold a breakfast with the Easter Bunny on March 24 from 7:30 am to 11:30 am at the Rochester Grange Hall. Breakfast will be served buffet style with eggs made to order. Cost for the event are \$5 per adult and \$3 per child under 12. Pictures with the Easter Bunny will be available for a \$5 donation per family or a \$3 donation per individual child. Please

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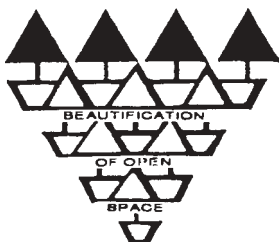
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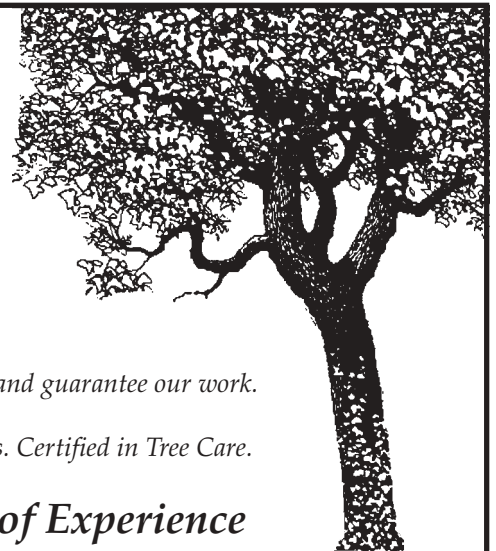


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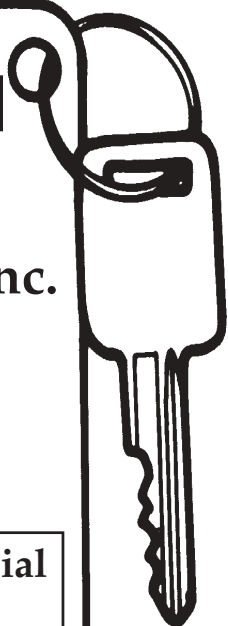
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Mar. 15:	Fri.	8:46	8:56	2:08	2:16
Mar. 16:	Sat.	9:20	9:29	2:43	2:48
Mar. 17:	Sun.	9:55	10:04	3:17	3:19
Mar. 18:	Mon.	10:34	10:42	3:51	3:52
Mar. 19:	Tues.	11:16	11:26	4:26	4:28
Mar. 20:	Wed.	...	12:04	5:07	5:10
Mar. 21:	Thurs.	12:16	12:58	6:02	6:05
Mar. 22:	Fri.	1:14	1:58	7:26	7:16
Mar. 23:	Sat.	2:20	3:05	9:07	8:36
Mar. 24:	Sun.	3:31	4:11	10:10	9:49
Mar. 25:	Mon.	4:39	5:12	11:00	10:52
Mar. 26:	Tues.	5:39	6:06	11:44	11:50
Mar. 27:	Wed.	6:32	6:57	...	12:28
Mar. 28:	Thurs.	7:22	7:46	12:46	1:11
Mar. 29:	Fri.	8:11	8:35	1:39	1:53
Mar. 30:	Sat.	9:00	9:25	2:29	2:35
Mar. 31:	Sun.	9:51	10:16	3:17	3:16

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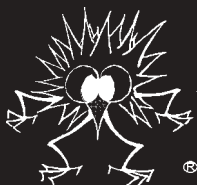
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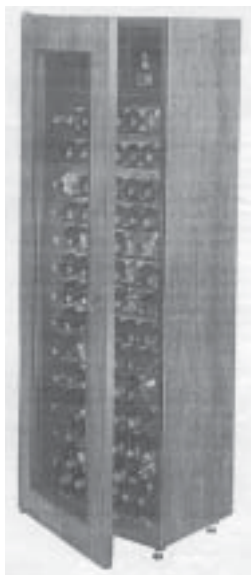


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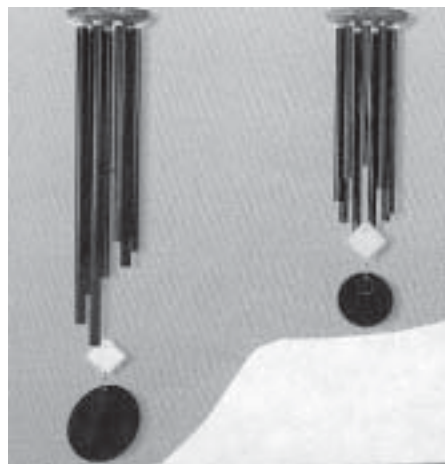
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